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Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *High-Cost Universal Service Support*, WC Dkt. No. 05-337; Connect America Fund, WC Dkt. No. 10-90

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Through this filing Frontier submits its initial identification of census blocks to which it intends to deploy broadband as part of the second round of Connect America Fund ("CAF") Phase I. This filing is being made confidentially in accordance with the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission") *Third Protective Order* in this docket¹ and in accordance with the Commission's instructions.

On May 22, 2013, the Commission made a second round of Connect America Phase I incremental funding available to price cap carriers.² In doing so, the Commission modified some elements from the first round of funding. It "adopt[ed] a process to challenge the eligibility of particular census blocks, establish[ed] two different per-location support amounts based on the existing level of Internet access (\$550 for homes with low-speed Internet access and \$775, as in the first round, for homes with only dial-up access)."³ Further, the Commission "strongly encourage[d] those electing funding to submit their intended elections and planned buildout locations by census block to the Bureau *on a confidential basis* at least 15 days in advance of the acceptance deadline" so that the Bureau could resolve facial compliance and potential inconsistencies.⁴ Frontier does so today.

In this preliminary filing Frontier presents four .csv files for the Commission's review, each identifying the GeoID Census block code, Operating Company number ("OCN"), Study Area Code ("SAC") and Wire Center CLLI Code for each census block for which Frontier plans to deploy

¹ *In re: Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local*

² *See in re: Connect America Fund, W.C. Dkt. No. 10-90, Order*, 28 FCC Rcd. 7766 (rel. May 22, 2013).

³ *Id.* at ¶ 2.

⁴ *Id.* at ¶ 30 (emphasis added).

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broadband under this second round of CAF Phase I. Each .csv file represents a different category on the National Broadband Map (“NBM”) as explained in the table below, with different associated funding categories.

File Name	File Contents	Expected Total Locations	Total Anticipated Funding
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The files above contain the information that Frontier has compiled to date; Frontier is continually evaluating where further deployment potential exists. Accordingly, Frontier’s formal census block submission on August 20, 2013 will likely contain additional locations beyond those contained in the files presented today.

We look forward to working with the Commission throughout this process in order to maximize this opportunity to expediently deploy broadband in rural America.

The non-redacted portions have been marked as confidential. Frontier is also filing a redacted copy of this report for public inspection.

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Attachment

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**Frontier Communications
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